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**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) Devicee A device for determining the position of or for measuring a hole in a body part of a motor vehicle, comprising:

a spike for fitting into the hole in the body part of the motor vehicle;  
[[.]] and

an attachment element which is releasably connectable to the spike,  
and[[.]] is configured such that, with the spike fitted into the hole, the  
attachment element rests on a surface of the body part of the motor vehicle  
surrounding the hole; wherein [[.]]

wherein the attachment element has an essentially hemispherical  
or partially spherical shell, made of a non-magnetic material and an insert which  
is arranged within the shell, and which comprises magnetic attaching means for  
holding said attachment element on said body part; made of magnetic material,  
and

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with the spike fitted into the hole, wherein a lower edge of the shell  
bears substantially flush against a lower side of the insert; and [.]

with said spike fitted in said hole, said magnetic attachment means  
holds said spike in said hole by magnetic attraction forces between said magnetic  
attaching means and said body part.

Claim 2. (Canceled)

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) Devicee The device according to Claim 1,  
wherein the attachment element is releasably connectable to the spike by a  
screw thread.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) Devicee The device according to Claim 3,  
wherein the spike has an upper part with the screw thread which is adapted to  
pass through the insert and be screwed to the inside of the shell.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) Devicee The device according to Claim 1, ~~for~~  
~~determining the position of or for measuring a hole in a body part of a motor~~  
~~vehicle comprising:~~

~~a spike for fitting into the hole in the body part of the motor vehicle,~~  
~~and~~

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~~an attachment element which is releasably connectable to the spike  
and, with the spike fitted into the hole, rests on a surface of the body part of the  
motor vehicle surrounding the hole,~~

~~wherein at least part of the attachment element is produced from a  
magnetic material, and~~

wherein the spike is adapted to be fastened to the attachment  
element in an asymmetrical manner with respect thereto.

Claims 6.-9. (Cancelled)

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) Device A device for determining the  
position of or for measuring a hole in a body part of a vehicle comprising:

a spike for fitting into the hole in the body part of the vehicle; [.]  
and

an attachment element which is releasably connectable to the spike,  
and[.] is configured such that, with the spike fitted into the hole, the  
attachment element rests on a surface of the body part of the vehicle  
surrounding the hole; wherein [.]

wherein the attachment element has an essentially hemispherical  
or partially spherical shell, ~~made of a non-magnetic material~~ and an insert which

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is arranged within the shell, and which comprises magnetic attaching means for holding said attachment element on said body part; made of magnetic material,

wherein the attachment element is releasably connectable to the spike by a screw thread; [,.]]

wherein the spike has an upper part with the screw thread extending through the insert which can be screwed to the inside of the shell; [., and]]

wherein the spike is adapted to be fastened to the attachment element in an asymmetrical manner with respect thereto; and [,.]]

with said spike fitted in said hole, said magnetic attachment means holds said spike in said hole by magnetic attraction forces between said magnetic attaching means and said body part.

Claim 11. (New) Apparatus for determining the position of a hole in a surface of a metallic component, said apparatus comprising:

an elongate member for engaging with a hole whose position is to be determined;

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inserting means for inserting said elongate member into said hole, said elongate member being removably fixed to, and situated in a precisely known position relative to, said inserting means;

attaching means for attaching said inserting means to said surface, with said elongate member inserted in said hole; wherein

said attaching means comprises a magnetic portion of said inserting means, which magnetic portion holds said elongate member in said hole by magnetic attraction forces between said magnetic portion and said metallic component; and

said inserting means includes means for permitting location of said inserting means.

Claim 12. (New) An apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein:

said inserting means comprises an outer shell having a partially spherical first surface and a substantially planar second surface opposite said first surface; and

said attaching means comprises a magnetic element that is inserted in and flush with said second surface.

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Claim 13. (New) The apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein:

said inserting means comprises an outer shell having a partially spherical first surface and a substantially planar second surface opposite said first surface; and

wherein, said inserting means is made of a magnetic material.